

National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National **Historic Sites** 

Home of FDR National Historic Site (and Top Cottage)

Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic 4097 Albany Post Road

**Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site** 

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## Roosevelt Vanderbilt Sites 2008 Accomplishments

At a Glance

\$5 million operating budget 96 permanent/term/seasonal staff

Visitors: 544,000

256/12,827 volunteers/volunteer hours

Five partner organizations operate in the parks

Non-local visitors spent \$ 6.4 million in local economies

**National Park Service Centennial** 

Our Centennial vision: The FDR Home and surrounding buildings will again be in top condition, and the landscape restored to the days when FDR lived here

Centennial funding used to hire 14 seasonal interpreter and landscape maintenance workers, allowing major landscape work not possible in past years

**Preserving History** 

Exterior condition of Roosevelt Home improved, through much work remains to be done

The 100-year old hedge enclosure surrounding the Roosevelt graves was replaced with hundreds of hemlocks replanted to re-establish the historic scale and appearance of the hedge.

State-of-the-art collections building completed--the first new park facility for preserving park resources

**Improving Visitor Experience** 

The restored Roosevelt Farm Lane, on land transferred to NPS in 2007, offers visitors an exciting new interpretive and recreational experience through FDR's tree plantations, and re-connects the FDR Home and Val-Kill

Coordinated federal support for the 2009 Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial to develop projects showcasing the Hudson / Champlain regions

Hosted teacher as part of regional launch of Teacher-Ranger-Teacher program

Teaching the Hudson Valley: Explore a place. Discover your world--THV launched a new web site with more than 125 lesson plans and an interactive map with more than 250 destinations

## **Working Smarter**

General Management Plan for the 3 sites advanced to selection of a Preferred Alternative for public review in 2009

Transportation Plan completed for expanded park shuttle and regional shuttle network.

At Eleanor Roosevelt NHS, a new building provides proper office and program space for the park partner—Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill

Park safety committee worked to reduce accidents to an eight-year low. Safety risks corrected for 85% of findings in a Regional Safety and Structural Fire Prevention Assessment prepared in February 2008

Accessibility Plan completed for the 3 parks